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SUBJ: EC/EFTA RULES OF ORIGIN IMPACT SURVEY

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1. EMBASSY SURVEYED EIGHT LUXEMBOURG COMPANIES MOST LIKELY TO BE AFFECTED BY EC/EFTA RULES OF ORIGIN. COMPANIES SURVEYED ARE ALL SUBSIDIARIES OF US FIRMS AND ACCOUNT FOR LARGE PERCENTAGE OF LUXEMBOURG'S MANUFACTURED EXPORTS OTHER THAN BASIC STEEL PRODUCTS. A QUESTIONNAIRE WAS NOT SENT TO THESE FIRMS AS ORAL INTERVIEWS INDICATED THAT THERE WERE NO CASES OF TRADE DAMAGE OR DIVERSION OF PROCUREMENT FROM US SOURCES LIKELY TO BE CAUSED BY EC/EFTA RULES OF ORIGIN. LACK OF ACTUAL OR POTENTIAL DAMAGE IS DUE PRIMARILY TO TRADING PATTERN OF THESE FIRMS, WITH MOST OF OUTPUT DESTINED FOR OTHER EC MARKETS. IN CASES WHERE THESE COMPANIES DID EXPORT TO EFTA COUNTRIES, THE COMPANIES REPORTED THAT EC/EFTA RULES OF ORIGIN DID NOT POSE ANY PROBLEMS.

2. FIRMS SURVEYED WERE GENERAL MOTORS (FRONT END LOADERS, DUMPERS); MONSANTO (NYLON YARN); DU PONT (MYLAR); GOOD-YEAR (TIRES); UNIROYAL (POLYESTER TIRE CORD); TEXAS REFINERY (ROOF COVERINGS); CLEVELAND TRAMRAIL (OVERHEAD CRANES); AND COMMERCIAL HYDRAULICS (HYDRAULIC PUMPS, MOTORS, CONTROL VALVES). TARNOFF

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